

Jane Aust
Wed. 7th Nov. 1801.

My dear friend -

I have but a very few minutes to reply to your letter, which, had it been a day later, would have crossed one of mine, as I had begun to be anxious about dear Mrs. Gray. I sincerely sympathize in her sorrows, tho' I knew not her amiable relative, & earnestly hope that she will not suffer from the reaction consequent upon her anxiety & excitement. It is long - several weeks - since I saw our friend Torrey, & have heard nothing of your news, nor did I know, indeed, as you seem to suppose, that you had an invalid under your roof -

And now, to the object of your
Note - It is a great disappoint-
ment & mortification to me that
I am unable to continue my
Subj. to the Lindheimer plants,
upon which I had all along
fully reposed, & looked forward
to the possession of them with
pleasant anticipations - It may
not be, however, & hence - since
you say you have the means of
disposing of them - please to appro-
priate, otherwise, the set designed
for my brother, & let him have
that (rather larger) one addressed
to me - He wishes it sent to
Pine Street, by Express, & I enclose
on his behalf, a Check for \$36
viz. \$35⁵⁰ x 50 cts.

I have by me, received for you,

as follows,

Small package for Dr Macdougall
" " " W. Curtis
two small packgs of Stung
from W. Curtis (for Sullivan)
Directed to your care -

If you wish these things made
into a parcel & forwarded to you
by Express, please let me know -
I have no news whatever to tell
you, & my personal matters
had I time to narrate them,
are not worth the telling -

Much love to you both
Joan H.